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SUBJECT: JANUARY 4 CAIRO PRESS

GENEVA FOR TERNER

1. MILITARY DETERMINATION. ALL PAPERS ON JANUARY 4
BANNER ISRAELI COMPLAINTS OF "GREAT LOSSES" AS RESULT OF
CLASHES WHICH OCCURRED YESTERDAY, JAN. 3. HEADLINES
ARE FOLLOWED BY MAJOR ARTICLES NOTING INCREASE OF
VIOLENCE ALONG CEASEFIRE LINES AND "SERIOUS DETERIORATION"
IN MILITARY SITUATION.

2. FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL ITEMS ARE OF INTEREST IN
JAN 4 CAIRO PRESS:

A. SECRETARY/FAHMY EXCHANGE OF LETTERS. AHRAM'S
DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT (HAMDI FOUD) HAS BRIEF ITEM
STATING THAT IN PAST WEEK THERE HAS BEEN EXCHANGE OF
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LETTERS BETWEEN SECRETARY AND EGYPTIAN FOREIGN MINISTER

FAHMI. ACCORDING TO REPORT, FAHMI HAS RECEIVED TWO LETTERS FROM SECRETARY DEALING WITH "PROCESS OF GENEVA TALKS AND COMING STEPS OF POLITICAL ACTIVITY."

B. SADAT'S MEETING WITH MINISTERS. AHRAM NOTES THAT ON JAN 3, SADAT MET IN ASWAN WITH FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS: MININT SALEM; FINANCE AND ECONOMY MINISTER HEGAZI; MINISTER OF WAQFS KAMEL; MINISTER OF PLANNING GABALLAH; MINISTER OF JUSTICE ABDEL NABI; MINISTER OF HOUSING ABDEL HAFEZ; MINISTER OF INSURANCE SHERIF; AND MINISTER OF HIGHER EDUCATION LAYLA. (COMMENT: THIS MEETING WOULD APPEAR TO PRESAGE STRONGLY RUMORED FORTHCOMING CABINET CHANGE. ABOVE, MOREOVER, IS AT LEAST A PARTIAL LIST OF THOSE WHO WILL REMAIN IN CABINET.)

C. QADHAAFI GREETINGS TO SADAT. AHRAM PUBLISHES ON FRONT PAGE ARTICLE REPORTING TRIPOLI RADIO BROADCAST OF CONGRATULATIONS BY QUADHAAFI TO SADAT ON OCCASION OF EID AL-ADHA. (COMMENT: PROMINENCE GIVEN TO QADHAAFI'S GREETINGS IN EGYPTIAN PRESS SUGGESTS THAT GOE CONTINUES TO WANT TO PAPER OVER RECENT DIFFERENCES WITH LIBYA.)

D. HEYKAL ON SECRETARY. HEYKAL'S FRIDAY ARTICLE DEALS EXCLUSIVELY WITH SECRETARY'S RELATIONSHIP TO ME CRISIS. HEYKAL'S THESIS IS THAT, WHILE PRESIDENT NIXON AND SECRETARY KISSINGER BOTH INTEND TO "SUCCEED" IN RESOLVING ME CONFLICT, SUCCESS IS RELATIVE; AND WHAT IS "SUCCESSFUL" TO SECRETARY MAY NOT BE SUCCESSFUL TO ARABS. HEYKAL STATES THAT SECRETARY'S PRIME OBJECTIVES ARE TO:

1. GUARANTEE ISRAEL'S SECURITY, PROBABLY WITHIN BORDERS BETWEEN JUNE 4, 1967 LINES AND THOSE OF OCTOBER 6, 1973 (I.E. NOT A FULL WITHDRAWAL).
2. ENSURE FLOW OF OIL TO US
3. PRESERVE US/SOVIET DETENTE
4. REESTABLISH US INFLUENCE IN AREA
5. GAIN FRIENDSHIP OF REGIMES AND PEOPLE IN AREA.

HEYKAL STATES FLATLY HE DOES NOT WANT TO SEE SECRETARY
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SUCCEED WITHIN THIS FRAMEWORK. HE DOES NOT, HOWEVER, RECOMMEND ANY OTHER.
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